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SERVICE DAY EVENTS AVAILABLE FOR AREA YOUTH

MISSOULA—

National and Global Youth Service Day will be celebrated in Missoula Saturday, April 22, with projects coordinated through The University of Montana's Office for Civic Engagement.

During the day, service projects will be available for youth ages 5 to 20.

Youth Service Day begins with registration from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Hellgate High School. Missoula Mayor John Engen will speak at 10:30 a.m.

Monte, UM's popular mascot, will be at a lunch following Mayor Engen's presentation.

From noon to 2:30 p.m., participants will break into groups to work on various service projects, from decorating studs for Habitat for Humanity to working on weatherization projects and collecting for book and food drives to writing letters to troops in Iraq.

At 2:30 p.m., participants return to Hellgate High School to reflect on and celebrate their day of service. Entertainment will be provided and prizes will be awarded.

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